TRAVANCORE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SECOND COUNCIL.

FIRST SESSION, 1101.

Thursday, the 5th November, 1925.

(OFFICIAL REPORT.)

The Council re-assembled in the Victoria Jubilee Town Hall at Eleven Thirty-one of the Clock, the President presiding.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

[*Order made by the President under Standing Order No. 12*—

(1) Printed copies of the questions and answers to be put and given at a meeting of the Council shall be placed on the Council table 15 minutes before the President takes his seat.

(2) The questions shall be put and answered in the following manner :—

The Secretary shall call the name of each interpellator in serial order, specify the serial number of his questions and make a sufficient pause to allow him a reasonable opportunity of rising in his place, if he is desirous of asking a supplementary question. Supplementary questions must be put immediately after the principal questions to which they relate.]

Fee Concessions to Students belonging to Depressed Classes.

54. **MR. S. GNANA JOSHUA** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether it is a fact that students from the depressed classes, who are given full fee concession when they are in Form VI, in consideration of their economic poverty and educational backwardness, are asked to pay half fees as soon as they pass Form VI and join the college classes?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Pupils of the depressed classes who are allowed full fee concession in English schools have to pay full fees for their college course.

Distribution of Appointments in the Public Service.

55. **MR. S. GNANA JOSHUA** (*Nominated*): (*a*) Are the Government aware that the proper distribution of official appointments is one of those questions that attract a good deal of public attention in Travancore?

(*b*) Do the Government publish, in their annual volume called *Statistics of Travancore*, statements or returns showing the staffs of the various departments according to caste, race and religion?

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